

'Torso del Torro' wins Kosmet contest

Add one playboy, a chorus of pretty girls and a big industrialist. Mix with clever dialogue and songs. Place mixture in a Pan-American situation and you have "Torso del Torro," the play chosen by Kosmet Klub for its annual show to be held this year from April 22 to 26.

"Kosmet Klub will introduce this new recipe in entertainment for show goes this year," Leo Cooksley, president of the club, announced. "The show will em-

phasize acting, dancing, singing and plot over everything else."

By Flick, Soldevilla.

Written by Clarence Flick and Romulo Soldevilla, the musical comedy has already won its authors \$40 from Kosmet Klub and has a chance for the \$1,000 grand prize and cash scholarship offered in the national ASCAP competition.

Tryouts for the show will be held Monday and Tuesday, March 24 and 25, Cooksley said. The play cast will be chosen by Armand M. Hunter of the speech de-

partment. Anyone meeting the university requirements for participation in activities may try out.

Girls, too!

For the first time since 1925 the personnel will include girls as well as men. Cooksley asked that all girls prepare a song to be sung before the casting committee at the try-outs.

"Torso del Torro" meaning "body of the bull"—concerns the plight of a playboy sent to promote good will in South America, so his father's tire factory in

America would increase its business. The trouble starts when the singing, care-free playboy takes a boat-load of chorus girls to Latin America with him as ambassadors of good-will.

Committee members.

With the play selected, mechanical progress of the production also got under way this week with the appointment of the following committees by Cooksley:

Tickets, John Mason, Ed Calhoun and Carl Harnsberger, co-chairmen; publicity, Clyde Martz,

Jack Stewart; try-outs, Carl Harnsberger chairman, Walter Rundin; stage properties, Walter Rundin and George McMurtrey, co-chairmen; scenery, Hugh Wilkins and Kenneth Miller, co-chairmen; ushers, Elton Wiley and Burt Smith, co-chairmen; costumes, John Gayer and Elton Wiley, co-chairmen; program, Burt Smith and George Frischer, co-chairmen; and photography, Bob Aden, chairman.

Cooksley also asked all Kosmet Klub workers to report to the office to type scripts.

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Rabbi Wise speaks here April 22

Jewish leader to give main address at UN Honors convocation

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, rabbi of Free Synagogue in New York City, will be the main speaker at the annual university Honors convocation April 22.

President of the Jewish Institute of Religion and of the American Jewish Congress, Dr. Wise is a descendant of a long line of rabbis who have been notably active in Jewish life in the German-speaking lands of Europe. In 1907 he founded the Free Synagogue, considered one of foremost in influence among American synagogues, and since that time he has been its rabbi. He was one of the founders of the Zionist movement and has been president of the Zionist Organization of America which he represented at the Versailles peace conference.

More recently Dr. Wise has (See CONVO, page 6.)

Registrar . . . Rosenlof calls education first bulwark against dictatorship . . . at York meeting

Only educated people can fortify themselves against such terroristic methods as enabled Hitler to gain his power, Dr. G. W. Rosenlof, director of admissions at the university, told a meeting of three Masonic organizations at York, Friday evening.

"Our schools, our churches, and our homes are the bulwarks of democratic government," he stated. "Education in Germany

has been eclipsed; it is being eclipsed in those countries which Germany has put under its 'protective custody'. America in the present crisis must defend its free institutions and protect them from every form of organization or influence that would weaken them."

Dr. Rosenlof cited Europe's present plight as evidence that its peoples failed to provide those educational opportunities which insure an intelligent citizenship "not only capable but ready and determined to assume individual leader-

(See ROSENLOF, page 4.)

Engineers hear plywood expert

"Plywood and Its Uses on the Farm" was the subject of an illustrated talk given Wednesday night by J. D. Long, of the Douglas Fir and Plywood association, before a dinner meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers in the Union.

Thursday morning, before an engineering convocation, Long showed a technicolor film entitled, "Engineers in the Lumber Industry."

Messersmith wins showman prize at ag

Kenneth Messersmith was selected as Grand Champion showman from 61 contestants at the annual Junior Ak-Sar-Ben last night at ag college.

Class winners selected were Kenneth Messersmith, horses; Earl Zeilinger, sheep; Don Tracy, cattle (dairy); Harold Stevens, hogs, and Philip Grabowski, beef cattle.

At the sound of the traditional alarm clock, set exactly at seven thirty, Marvin Kruse, master of ceremonies, welcomed the spectators to the 11th annual Junior Ak-Sar-Ben. State senators were guests of honor for the event.

Fouts is judge.

With the flourish of a trumpet, a procession of horses led by competing students filed into the arena. Showmanship and the amount of grooming for each animal (See JUDGING, page 4.)

Day, Talbot, White win top positions

Nine hundred coeds went to the polls in Ellen Smith Friday to elect Harriet Talbot president of the Coed Counselor board; Ben Alice Day president of the AWS board, and Dorothy White head of BABW.

Sophomore, junior and senior board members who received the highest number of votes in each organization were named vice president, secretary, or treasurer. For AWS Jeannette Mickey is vice president; Ann Craft, secretary; and Lois Christie, treasurer.



TALBOT DAY

Coed Counselors vice president is Marion Cramer and Shirley Phelps was chosen as secretary-treasurer. Barb girls elected Bettie Cox vice president, Louise Woerner secretary, and Marilyn Fulton as treasurer.

Other members of the three boards are as follows.



WHITE

Seniors: Natalie Burn, Jane

Bird, Betty O'Shea and Dorothy White.

Juniors: Janet Curley, Betty Newman, and Susan Shaw.

Sophomores: Janice Cook, Janet Hemphill, and Dorothy Thomas.

Coed Counselors' board

Seniors: affiliated, Frances Keefer; unaffiliated, Margaret Forrey, Mary Eileen Dalton, and Grace Leaders.

Juniors: affiliated, Anne Kinder and Dorothy Latsch; unaffiliated, Janet Hagelin.

Sophomores: affiliated, Lois Christie; and unaffiliated, Betty Angle.

BABW

Seniors: Betty Hutchinson and Betty Jeanne Spalding.

Juniors: Mary June Buck, Marjorie Fouts, and Bonnie Wennersten.

Sophomores: June Heilman, Eleanor Jacks, and Althea Ware.

Nominations for Mortar Board members were made at the election and the May Queen was chosen from seven candidates, Ruth Clark, Jane Shaw, Elvora Sprague, Jean Simmons, Pat Sternberg, Ruth Ann Sheldon, and Helen Elizabeth Claybaugh. Mortar Board and the May Queen, however, will not be announced until Ivy Day, May 1.

Commerce men meet April 7

Editor of transportation magazine is main speaker

Henry A. Palmer, editor for 15 years of The Traffic World, a magazine circulating to more than 10,000 shippers and transportation executives, will address the noon luncheon meeting of the university's third annual transportation conference April 7.

"Transportation in 1941" is the subject chosen by Palmer who is a past president of the Traffic club of Chicago and of the Associated Traffic Clubs of America. His talk will be made at the Lincoln chamber of commerce with President Joe Seacrest presiding.

Money from . . .

Gracie Fields benefit tour aids disabled British children

University of Nebraska students and Lincoln residents will have the rare opportunity of hearing Gracie Fields, English comedienne, when she appears Thursday at 8 p. m. in a special British benefit performance in the coliseum.

Money received from her performances of this current tour will be used to help disabled British children. Admission to the performance is one dollar for Lincoln residents and 25 cents for university students.

Born in Rochdale, England in 1898, Gracie Fields rose to the top of her profession to pass her four millionth box office mark in 1938. At that time, the "Manchester Guardian" wrote, "The only singer who may have exceeded Gracie

Fields' number was Caruso, but in his time figures were not carefully kept."

That same year she was awarded the badge of Commander of Most Excellent Order of the British Empire by King George VI. For her performances, Miss Fields has also been granted the orders of Freedom of Rochdale and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Women co-ops are socially active; have spring party, hour dances

"In the last few years the co-ops have really come into their own. But, although they've become an important part of the university lineup, there are still many mistaken ideas about them," says Elsie Ford Piper, assistant dean of women and housing director.

Co-ops fill the want of women who need to live economically. The cost of living in a co-op house is very low—approximately \$5 a week. In addition, each student gives an hour's work each day.

But co-ops aren't just places to live—old houses that are badly run-down and in need of repair—instead, they're attractive, up-to-date houses with nice lawns and clean, comfortable living quarters.

Have social side.

Co-ops have their social side, too. Special social instruction is given the coeds. Hour dances are held throughout the year, and in the spring there is a formal spring dance.

The Interhouse Council, which

is composed of representatives from the co-ops and the dorm, sponsored the St. Patrick's dance Saturday in the hope that it would enable women to become better acquainted with other students. All the coeds in co-op houses participate in intramurals.

The difference between women's and men's co-ops on the campus at present is that the women's houses are university owned and university controlled. Men's co-ops are not regulated by the university and the co-operative owns the furnishings.

The university provides general furnishings for all women's co-ops. The students furnish only additional spreads, dresser scarfs, and other personal articles.

Four co-op houses.

At present, there are four co-op houses. Three of them are on the city campus: Howard Hall (for juniors and seniors), and Rosa Bouton and Wilson Halls (for freshmen and sophomores, Loomis

Hall, near the ag campus is for home ec students.

All the co-ops have special rooms where each student has her own study table. The first floors each have a large, comfortable living room, a dining room, and a well-equipped kitchen.

Domestically, socially, and economically, co-ops have proved so successful that, without doubt, they are here to stay.

Love Memorial.

The solution to the housing problem on the ag campus will be solved when Love Memorial hall is opened next fall. Scholarships worth approximately \$100 apiece will be awarded to a limited number of women.

Two will share each room, and groups of six will use the kitchenette on the ground floor. The hall also contains an attractive living room and a recreation hall. Although they differ in a few minor points, the rules and management of the new dorm will be much like that of the co-ops.

Capitol Personalities



Lincoln Journal. ELMER C. RAKOW serves first term

Senator Elmer C. Rakow is a modest gentleman and being so disposed, would not tell your reporter very much about himself. (See RAKOW, page 5.)

No 'no stocking' ban; dean sighs as ruling dies

EAST LANSING, Mich. (ACP). A ban which prohibited coeds at Michigan State college from appearing on the campus without stockings no longer is in effect—but before it died, Elizabeth Conrad, dean of women, entered a final opinion on the records.

"Any woman who wishes to cheapen herself and the appearance of this institution by not wearing stockings," Dean Conrad said, "will be permitted to be a cheapening element in the college."

Previous attempt to enforce the ruling, including "late minutes" and disciplinary notes, have been abandoned. Public opinion, it was said, killed the regulation.